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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

| JEFFREY AARON, #2/5291, | |
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| | CIVIL ACTION NO. 12-14866 |
| Plaintiff, | |
| | DISTRICT JUDGE JOHN CORBETT O'MEARA |
| V. | |
| | MAGISTRATE JUDGE R. STEVEN WHALEN |
| JOHN TYLUKI, et al., | |

Defendants.

ORDER

Before the Court is Plaintiff Jeffrey Aaron's Motion to Appoint Court Reporter to be Present to take Depositions of Defendants John Tyluki and Dean Dyer [Doc. #51]. Plaintiff is a prison inmate who is proceeding *pro se* and *in forma pauperis* ("IFP") pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1).

Under § 1915(a)(1), the Court may waive certain fees associated with litigation, but the statute does not authorize the Court to provide discovery costs or to require defendants to pay plaintiff's discovery costs. Such costs of litigation are to be borne by an indigent party. *See Vartinelli v. Caruso*, 2008 WL 4056316, *2 (E.D.Mich. 2008), citing *Johnson v. Hubbard*, 698 F.2d 286, 289 (6th Cir.1983) (holding that there is no constitutional or statutory requirement to waive an indigent prisoner plaintiff's costs of discovery); *Smith v. Yarrow*, 78 Fed.Appx. 529, 544 (6th Cir.2003).

Accordingly, Plaintiff's motion [Doc. #51] is DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/R. Steven Whalen
R. STEVEN WHALEN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Dated: April 7, 2015

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was sent to parties of record on April 7, 2015, electronically and/or by U.S. mail.

s/Carolyn M. Ciesla Case Manager